

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
REVENUE(VIG.VII) DEPARTMENT

Memo No.1343/Vig.VII(2)/2009-1

Dt.19-1-2009

Sub:- Public Services - Allegation of corruption leveled against Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mellela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District - to place the individual under suspension - Reg.

Ref:- Radio Message, Dt.8-1-2009 of DSP, ACB, Vijayawada range, Vijayawada.

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The attention of the Collector & District Magistrate, Krishna is invited to the reference cited and he is informed that Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District was trapped by the ACB on 7-1-2009, when he demanded and accepted an amount of Rs.2500/- as bribe from the complainant.

2. The Collector, Krishna District is therefore requested to place Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna district under suspension immediately for having involved in a case of moral turpitude in terms of Memo No.36761/Ser.C/2004, dt.12-3-2004. He also requested to take action to file caveat petition in APAT immediately so as to restrain the accused officer from obtaining stay orders on suspension and send the compliance report to Government immediately.

M.RAMAIAH
JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Collector, Krishna District at Machilipatnam
The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissiner of Land Administration,
Hyderabad.

Copy to

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, APV, Hyderabad
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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

(From DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.6/RCT-VKI/2009, DT.26-6-2009

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The final report, dt.22-6-2009 of Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau may be seen from pages 15-49 c.f., wherein, he has proposed for issue of prosecution order in respect of Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mellela Village Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District as the allegations of corruption charge is held substantiated against him. The original report is addressed to Vigilance Commission, the report and advice of APVC is awaited.

In view of the above, the file may L.O till the receipt of the advice from Vigilance Commission.

(From the APVC Lr No.302/VC.C3/2008-2, dt.1-8-09)

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Please see the letter dt. 1-8-09 of the APVC, Hyd at page 51 c.f.

The issue in the file relates to the allegation of demand and acceptance of bribe amount leveled against Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mellela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District

The facts of the case are that Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mellela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District was trapped by ACB officials on 7-1-2009 when he demanded and accepted an amount of Rs.2500/- as bribe from the complainant for doing official favour i.e. to complete the work and issue of pass book and Title deed of complainant. He was placed under suspension by Collector, Machilipatnam vide Procs.No.A2/77/2009, dt.8-1-2009.

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau while furnishing the final report vide his Lr., dt.26-6-2009 recommended to prosecute Sri Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mellela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District in a court of Law as the charge of acceptance of bribe leveled against him is held substantiated.

Now, the Vigilance Commissioner has advised to consider and accord sanction for prosecution of the A.O. in a court of law for the offences punishable under section 7, 13(1) (d) r/w 13(2) of P.C.Act., 1988.

In view of the above it is for consideration and orders whether Sri A.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mellela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District may be prosecuted in a court of law for the offences punishable under section 7, 13(1)(d) r/w 13(2) of P.C.Act., 1988.

After Orders are passed the file may be circulated to M(Rev) for approval.

ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Revenue Department – Allegation of Corruption of demand and acceptance of bribe by Sri Aduri Satyanarayana ,Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuiru Mandal, Krishna District Trapped on 7-1-2009 - Sanction for Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIG.VII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No

Dated: -10-2009

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O R D E R:

Whereas, Sri Aduri Satyanarayana S/o Narasimha Rao worked as Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District from 07-05-2008 to 07-01-2009 and as such, he falls under the category of Public Servant as defined under section 2(c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988);

2) And whereas, Sri Lokam Venubabu, S/o Shiva Sankara Rao, is a resident of Surampalli Village of Gannavaram Mandal, Krishna District;

3) And whereas, it is alleged that Sri Lokam Venubabu is presently residing in Gannavaram village. He purchased Ac.9.99 of Mango garden in RS.No.347/1E and 349/1B of Mallela Village, Thiruvuru mandal and got registered at Sub-Registrar's Office, Thiruvuru, Krishna district vide Document No.1706, dated 14-03-2007 and cultivating the said land. In the month of June, 2008, Sri Lokam Venubabu submitted petition to the Tahsildar, Thiruvuru Mandal with a request to issue Pattadar Pass Book and title deed for the above said mango garden. The Tahsildar endorsed the said petition to Sri Aduri Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District for taking necessary action. Sri Aduri Satyanarayana enquired the said petition and sent the same to Tahsildar, Thiruvuru with his remarks. The Tahsildar, Thiruvuru issued Pattadar Pass book and handed over to Sri Aduri Satyanarayana. And Sri A.Satyanarayana had to send it to the Revenue Divisional Officer, Nuziveedu for his signature in the Title Deed. Ten days prior to the date of trap i.e., 7-1-2009 Sri Lokam Venubabu approached Sri Aduri Satyanarayana and enquired about the Pass Book and Title Deed. Sri Aduri Satyanarayana informed him that the Tahsildar, signed the Pattadar Pass Book and it has to be sent to the Revenue Divisional Officer, Nuziveedu for his signature on the Title Deed and demanded Rs.2,500/- for issuance of Pattadar Pass Book and the Title Deed. Sri Lokam Venubabu expressed his inability to pay the demanded bribe and requested to reduce the bribe, but Sri Satyanarayana did not consider his request and reiterated his demand of Rs.2,500/-. As there was no alternative, Sri Lokam Venubabu unwillingly agreed to pay the bribe amount to Sri Aduri Satyanarayana. Sri Lokam Venubabu reluctantly agreed to pay the bribe amount of Rs.2,500/- to Sri Aduri Satyanarayana and as he was not willing to pay bribe amount of Rs.2,500/- to Sri Aduri Satyanarayana, approached Anti-Corruption Bureau Officials and gave report for taking necessary action against him. The Deputy Superintendent of

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Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Vijayawada registered the said report as a case in Cr.No.01/RCT-ACB-VJA/2009 under section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 on 07.01.2009 at 11.40 a.m. after obtaining permission from the Head Office, Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad and took up investigation;

4) And whereas, after completion of pre-trap proceedings, Sri Lokam Venubabu contacted Sri Aduri Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village over his phone. Sri A.Satyanarayana asked him to come to his house situated Polysettypadu Village, A.Kondur Mandal, Krishna District.

Sri Lokam Venubabu when approached Sri Aduri Satyanarayana, in his house he reiterated his earlier demand, and asked him to give the demanded bribe and Sri Lokam Venubabu handed over the bribe amount to Sri Aduri Satyanarayana who received the tainted amount with his right hand, counted the same with both his hands, kept the same on the nearby wall and concealed the tainted amount by keeping the Pattas Issue Register and title deed of Sri Lokam Venubabu. Sri Aduri Satyanarayana took his signature in Pass Book Register and handed over his Pass Book and further informed him that the Title Deed would be issued after obtaining the signature of the Revenue Divisional Officer, Nuziveedu. Sri Lokam Venubabu came out of the house and gave the pre arranged signal. Immediately, the Deputy Superintendent of Police and other members of the trap party including mediators rushed into the residence of Sri Aduri Satyanarayana and found Sri A.Satyanarayana sitting in a chair. When the Deputy Superintendent of Police got sodium carbonate solution tests conducted on both hand fingers proved positive. When asked by the Deputy Superintendent of Police about the tainted amount, Sri Aduri Satyanarayana showed the bribe amount and as per the instructions of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, one of the mediators took the tainted amount of Rs.2,500/- and the serial number when compared with pre trap proceedings found tallied. The Deputy Superintendent of Police also conducted sodium carbonate solution tests on the traces from the parapet wall and Pass Book Issue Register, which came into contact with the tainted amount and turned into pink in colour. The Deputy Superintendent of Police also seized the tainted amount of Rs.2,500/-, Pass Book Issue Register for the purpose of further investigation. The Deputy Superintendent of Police also seized applications, Pattadar Pass Books and Title deed Books of Sri Lokam Venubabu and other connected records etc.

5) And whereas, the said acts of Sri Aduri Satyanarayana formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna district constitute offences punishable under section 7 and section 13(2) read with section 13(1) (d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988);

6) And whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh being the Competent Authority to remove Sri Aduri Satyanarayana formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District from Government service, after fully and carefully examining the material (i.e, Final report, First Information Report, mediator names, Gist of statements of witnesses etc.,) placed before them in respect of the aforesaid acts and

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having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case consider that Sri Aduri Satyanarayana, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District should be prosecuted in a Court of Law;

7) Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (b) of sub-Section (1) of Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988) Government hereby accord sanction for prosecution of the above said Sri Aduri Satyanarayana, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallela Village, Thiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District for the offences punishable under section 7 and section 13(2) read with 13(1) (d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and for any other cognate offences punishable under

any other provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO
GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General,
Anti -Corruption Bureau,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.